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- 1. CHARGE AND EMBASSY OF HOME MINISTRY, SHER BAHADUR SHAHI, TO DISCUSS REPORTS (REFTEL) THAT NEPAL WAS CONTEMPLATING LICENSED PRODUCTION OF OPIUM POPPY.
- 2. SHAHI EXPLAINED THAT NEPAL'S NEW NARCOTICS
 LEGISLATION ALLOWS GOVERNMENT IN THEORY TO PRODUCE
 NARCOTIC SUBSTANCES UNDER GOVERNMENT AUSPICES. THIS,
 HOWEVER, WAS DIRECTED AT CANNABIS AS MEANS TO FIND
 SOME MEDICINAL USE FOR CANNABIS AND, IF ACTED UPON,
 WOULD INVOLVE PRODUCTION ON GOVERNMENT INSTALLATIONS.
 GOVERNMENT WOULD NOT LICENSE INDIVIDUAL FARMERS TO
 GROW CROP. SHAHI REAFFIRMED THAT GOVERNMENT HAS NO
 PLANS AT THIS TIME TO GROW OPIUM POPPIES.
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